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FOLLOWING REPEAT SANTO DOMINGO 2829 ACTION SECSTATE INFO CARACAS
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QTE K C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTO DOMINGO 2829

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN FROM AMBASSADOR

TO BE DELIVERED AT OPENING OF BUSINESS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, OAS, PINS, DR

SUBJECT: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC RESOLUTION ON TERRORISM

REF: (A) CARACAS 5875; (B) SANTO DOMINGO 2791;
(C) SANTO DOMINGO 2792; (D) HURWITCH-DEVINE TELECON

1. APPRECIATE YOUR MESSAGE REF A AS WELL AS DETAILED GENESIS
SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES' INITIATIVES PROVIDED BY ACTING
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DEVINE. YOU WILL HAVE NOW SEEN
REFS (D) AND (C) WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN REPEATED TO YOU EN
ROUTE FOR WHICH I APOLOGIZE.

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2. I MET WITH FON SEC JIMENEZ AT ELEVEN THIS MORNING TO
ASCERTAIN FURTHER BACKGROUND OF DOMINICAN INITIATIVE WITH
FOLLOWING RESULTS:

(A) CONTRARY TO MY EARLIER UNDERSTANDING, DOMINICAN RESO-
LUTION ON TERRORISM IS NOT REP NOT FORMAL ITEM ON OASGA AGENDA
BECAUSE GODR HAD MADE ITS PROPOSAL TOO LATE FOR THAT PURPOSE.

IT WILL, HOWEVER, BE PERMITTED AS A TOPIC TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE INFORMAL DIALOGUES.

(B) JIMENEZ WAS GRATEFUL FOR RUNDOWN ON GENESIS SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES' INITIATIVES, SAYING THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF THEM AND THAT NO NATION HAD APPROACHED HIM REGARDING THE SUBJECT. HE AFFIRMED CATEGORICALLY THAT PROPOSED RESOLUTION WAS PURELY HIS PERSONAL INITIATIVE IN ORDER TO MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION IN THE OASGA.

(C) TWO DAYS AGO HE HAD SOUGHT VENEZUELAN AND COLOMBIAN CO-SPONSORSHIP OF HIS RESOLUTION AND AS YET HAD RECEIVED NO REPLY. HE HAD ALSO MENTIONED HIS PROPOSAL TO VISITING GUATEMALAN FON MIN MOLINA ORANTES WHO HE SAID REACTED POSITIVELY AS DID GUATEMALAN OAS AMBASSADOR CASTILLO ARRIOLA, ACCOMPANYING FON MIN MOLINA, WHO JIMENEZ UNDERSTOOD HEADED AN OAS COMMITTEE ON TERRORISM (OR PERHAPS HUMAN RIGHTS).

(D) JIMENEZ ASKED ME TO ASSURE YOU PERSONALLY THAT THE GODR WAS FULLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE U.S. ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE.

3. DURING THE DISCUSSION, I RAISED THE POSSIBILITY OF THE SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES USING THE PROPOSED DOMINICAN RESOLUTION AS A SPRINGBOARD FOR ADVANCING THEIR "NON-INTERVENTION" POSITION BY SEEKING AN AMENDMENT IN THAT SENSE TO HIS RESOLUTION. JIMENEZ RESPONDED WITH CONSIDERABLE EMOTION (FOR HIM) AND AT SAME LENGTH THAT TERRORISM AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO HUMAN RIGHTS TRANSCENDED NATIONAL BOUNDARIES, THAT IT WAS CONFIDENTIAL

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A UNIVERSAL QUESTION AFFECTING ALL OF HUMANITY, AND THAT NO NATION COULD REASONABLY CONSIDER AS "INTERVENTION" THE CONCERN OF OTHERS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. I SUGGESTED THEREUPON THAT HE INCLUDE AN ELABORATE STATEMENT TO THAT EFFECT IN HIS REMARKS INTRODUCING HIS RESOLUTION AND HE REPLIED THAT WOULD INDEED DO SO AS A MEANS OF PREEMPTING THE SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES POSITION ON "NON-INTERVENTION"

4. FINALLY, I SUGGESTED THAT IN LIGHT OF THE PRE-OASGA CAUCAS IN GRENADA SOUGHT BY THE SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES, HE MIGHT WISH TO TAKE SOUNDINGS WHEN HE ARRIVED IN GRENADA BEFORE DECIDING IF AND HOW TO PROCEED. HE MIGHT IN FACT FIND THAT TACTICALLY IT WAS PREFERABLE TO LAY BACK, PERMIT THE SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE ON "NON-INTERVENTION" AND DURING THE ENSUING DEBATE INTRODUCE HIS RESOLUTION AS THE "CONCILIATORY INSTRUMENT." HE REPLIED THAT HE WOULD PROCEED CAUTIOUSLY.

5. JIMENEZ DEPARTS SANTO DOMINGO JUNE 13, OVERNIGHTS IN BARBADOS AND ARRIVES GRENADA JUNE 14.

6. WE ARE REPEATING REFS (D) AND (C) TO BOGOTA AND

CARACAS.
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